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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Privacy Act; System of Records: Establishment of New Passport Expiration

Notification System (PENS) AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552a), the Office of International and Tribal Affairs is giving notice that it proposes to create a new system of records for the Passport Expiration Notification System (PENS). This system of records contains personally identifiable information (PII) collected from no-fee passports for the purpose of tracking the status of government passports. The information maintained in the system will be the passport holder's name, place of birth, passport number and passport issue and expiration dates.

EFFECTIVE DATES: Persons wishing to comment on this system of records notice must do so by [40 days after publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID no. EPA-HQ-OEI-2015-0200, by one of the following methods:

 $\underline{www.regulations.gov} : Follow \ the \ online \ instructions \ for \ submitting \ comments.$

Email: oei.docket@epa.gov

Fax: 202-566-1752

Mail: OEI Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T, 1200

Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C., 20460.

Hand Delivery: OEI Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, DC. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OEI-2015-0200

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Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov index.

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Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30

a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OEI Docket is (202) 566-1745.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pamela Younger, Office of Management and International Services, Office of International and Tribal Affairs, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. 20004, telephone number: 202-564-6631; fax number: 202-565-2427; email address:rhones-younger.pamela@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

General Information

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) plans to create a Privacy Act system of records for the Passport Expiration Notification System (PENS). The information collected in this system will be used for the purpose of requesting and obtaining country clearances for EPA staff traveling to foreign countries to conduct official government business. The information maintained in the system will be the

passport holder's name, place of birth, passport number and passport issue and

expiration dates.

The information is accessed through an electronic means which has its own

authentication process established by OEI. Only certified Passport Agents in the OITA

Travel Office, and in Region 5 and the OITA Database Administrator will have access to

the information contained in the database. No-fee Passports containing personal

information are kept in a locked filing cabinet. Physical access to the filing cabinet is

limited to authorized personnel employees with office keys.

Dated: June 22, 2016.

Ann Dunkin, P.E.

Chief Information Officer

System Name: Passport Expiration Notification System (PENS)

System Location: US EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20460 **Categories of Individuals Covered by the System:** EPA International Travelers who apply for a no-fee passport for the purpose of conducting official government business in foreign countries.

Categories of Records in the System: The passport holder's name, place of birth, passport number and issue and expiration dates.

Authority for Maintenance of the System (includes any revisions or amendments): EO 11295 22 U.S.C. § 211 (a); 22 C.F.R.§ 51.22 (b)

Purpose(s): The primary purpose of this system is to track the status of no-fee passports, including the issuance date, expiration date, and current location and to request and obtain country clearances for EPA staff traveling to foreign countries to conduct official government business.

Routine Uses of Records Maintained in the System, Including Categories of General Routine Uses applicable to more than one system and includes:

https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2008/01/14/E8-445/amendment-to-general routine-uses

Users, and the Purposes of Such Uses: General Routine Uses

A., C., E., J. and L apply to the system.

Policies and Practices for Storing, Retrieving, Accessing, Retaining, and Disposing of Records in the System:

Storage: Electronic records are maintained in an electronic format. Passports are maintained in their physical format in a locked filing cabinet, in a locked room. **Retrievability:** Records are retrieved by all or a part of the person's name, place of

Safeguards:

Computer-stored information is protected inaccordance with the Agency's security requirements. Access to the information in the system is limited to authorized Agency personnel who administer the program. No external access to the system is allowed. Paper files are kept in a locked filing cabinet in a locked room. Only accessed by three employees.

Retention and Disposal:

birth, and/or passport number.

EPA Records Schedule 1010 NARA Disposal Authority: DAA-0412-2012-0007-0003

Closed and returned to the Department of State when employee separates, retires, transfers to a new agency, or job duties no longer require international travel.

System Manager(s) and Address: PENS Database Manager, Office of Management and International Services, Office of International and Tribal Affairs, (MD-2680R) 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Notification Procedure: Any individual who wants to know whether this system of records contains a record about him or her, who wants access to his or her record, or who wants to contest the contents of a record, should make a written request to the EPA FOIA Office, Attn: Privacy Act Officer, MC 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20460.

Record Access Procedure: Request for access must be made in accordance with the

procedures described in EPA's Privacy Act regulations at 40 CFR part 16. Requesters

will be required to provide adequate identification, such as a driver's license, employee

identification or other identifying document.

Contesting Records Procedures: Requests for correction or amendment must identify

the record to be changed and the corrective action sought. Complete EPA Privacy Act

procedures are described in EPA's Privacy Act regulations at 40 CFR part 16.

Record Source Categories:

Individual Passport applicants

U.S. Department of State.

System Exempted from Certain Provisions of the Privacy Act: None

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